

Elizabeth Borden

BERKLEY - Elizabeth (Askew) Borden, age 95, of Berkley, MA (formerly of Somerset and Deerfield Beach, FL), died on September 23, 2021. She was the wife of the late James F. Borden.

Born in Fall River, she was the daughter of the late Frederick and Nancy (Chace) Askew.

Mrs. Borden graduated from B.M.C. Durfee High School in 1944, from the Union Hospital School of Nursing in 1947, and from Rhode Island College in 1971 with a degree in education.

She worked at the Union Hospital (now Charlton Memorial) in Fall River as a nurse and supervisor in obstetrics, labor and delivery for many years. She was a clinical instructor in obstetrical nursing at the Fall River Diploma School of Nursing, and later the first director of Fall River Area Family Planning, serving until her retirement in 1986.

She was active in numerous community health-related programs and organizations. She was a founding member of Our Sisters' Place, a shelter for battered women.

In 1986 she was chosen by the Fall River Chamber of Commerce as "Business Woman of the Year."

An avid golfer, she was a member of Touisset Country Club,

Swansea, MA and served as president of the women's golf association.

She is survived by two sons: Stephen Borden of Seekonk, MA and Peter J. Borden of Somerset, MA, daughters Patricia B. Silvia of Berkley, MA and the late Carol E. Chace of No. Myrtle Beach, SC as well as many loving grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces and nephews. She is survived by a sister, Susan Cantara of Fall River, and was predeceased by siblings: Robert Askew, Gifford Askew, Nancy Bradbury and Katherine Whiston.

A graveside service will be held on Saturday, October 9, 2021 at 10:30 AM at the Nathan Slade Cemetery on Prospect St., Somerset MA.

In lieu of flowers, please make a donation to the charity of your choice. Arrangements are by the Hathaway Family Funeral Homes, 900 Buffinton St., Somerset, MA.



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